From: hd74amf2 To: Microsoft ATR Date: 1/15/02 3:08pm **Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Comments on the Microsoft settlement.

It is time to get this over, and to move on. I disagree that Microsoft should have ever been sued. Look at the damage that resulted in their stock price, which effected millions of people. It is a sad day when competitors of Microsoft waste their time getting the government to file lawsuits, instead of investing in research to compete. The government should have never brought the suit. Anyone that understands technology would know that just because Explorer is on the desktop, doesn't mean that you can't load Netscape.

I don't like or use Explorer, but I do not believe in government interference with private industry. Nothing will be gained by this lawsuit. The consumer will end up paying more. It is a very alarming trend in government.

I do not like most Microsoft products, but until some one comes up with something better, they are here to stay. The emphasis should be getting on with business, and competing with the rest of the world. If Microsoft will agree to the settlement, get it over. I do not think they should settle, they should fight it and win, but if they want to settle, it is time to move on. Richard